

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

Ms. Eve Gartner Staff Attorney Earthjustice 48 Wall Street 19th Floor New York, NY 10005

Dear Ms. Gartner:

We are writing to confirm that on December 13, 2016, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received your petition requesting EPA "to issue an order under TSCA section 4, requiring that testing be conducted by manufacturers (which includes importers) and processors on Tetrabromobisphenol A ("TBBPA") (CAS No. 79-94-7)," pursuant to section 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

Section 21 of TSCA provides that the Administrator shall either grant or deny a petition within 90-days after the date of filing (March 13, 2017, for your petition). Section 21 further provides that, if the Administrator grants the petition, the Administrator shall promptly commence an appropriate proceeding and that, if the Administrator denies the petition, the Administrator shall publish the reasons for such a denial in the Federal Register. Your petition is under review by the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), which is responsible for programs under TSCA.

If you have questions relating to the petition, please contact Loraine Passe of my staff by telephone at (202) 564-9064 or by email at passe.loraine@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jeffery T. Morris, Director

Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics